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them as appropriate in local circumstances;

- (2) Specifically assigning responsibilities for environmental activities under the installation's cognizance to appropriate subordinates, while providing for the coordination of all such activities; and
- (3) Establishing and maintaining working relationships with national, state, regional and governmental agencies responsible for environmental regulations in localities in which the field installations conduct their activities.

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# Subpart 1216.2—Floodplain and Wetlands Management

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### § 1216.200 Scope.

This subpart 1216.2 prescribes procedures to:

- (a) Avoid long- and short-term adverse impacts associated with the occupancy and modification of floodplains and wetlands;
- (b) Avoid direct or indirect support of floodplain and wetlands development wherever there is a practicable alternative:
  - (c) Reduce the risk of flood loss;
- (d) Minimize the impact of floods on human health, safety and welfare;
- (e) Restore, preserve and protect the natural and beneficial values served by floodplains and wetlands;
- (f) Develop an integrated process to involve the public in the floodplain and wetlands management decision-making process:
- (g) Incorporate the Unified National Program for Flood Plain Management; and.
- (h) Establish internal management controls to monitor NASA actions to assure compliance with the Orders.

## § 1216.201 Applicability.

These procedures are applicable to Federal lands and facilities under the management control of NASA Head-

quarters and field installations regardless of location.

# § 1216.202 Responsibility of NASA officials.

- (a) Directors of Field Installations and, as appropriate, the Associate Administrator for Management at NASA Headquarters, are responsible for implementing the requirements and procedures prescribed in §§ 1216.204 and 1216.205.
- (b) The Assistant Associate Administrator for Facilities Engineering, NASA Headquarters, is responsible for overall coordination of floodplain and wetlands management activities, and for conducting periodic on-site reviews of each Installation's floodplain and wetlands management activities, and for conducting periodic on-site reviews of each Installation's floodplain and wetlands management activities to assure compliance with the Executive orders

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#### § 1216.203 Definition of key terms.

- (a) Action—any NASA activity including, but not limited to, acquisition, construction, modification, changes in land use, issuance of facilities use permits, and disposition of Federal lands and facilities.
- (b) Base flood—is that flood which has a one percent chance of occurrence in any given year (also known as a 100-year flood). This term is used in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) to indicate the minimum level of flooding to be used by a community in its floodplain management regulations.
- (c) Base floodplain—the 100-year floodplain (one percent chance floodplain). Also see definition of floodplain.
- (d) Critical action—any activity for which even a slight chance of flooding would be too great, such as storing lunar samples or highly toxic or water reactive materials.
- (e) Facility—any item made or placed by a person including buildings, structures and utility items, marine structures, bridges and other land development items, such as levees and drainage canals.